Appl. No. 10/620,307

Amendment Date: December 20, 2003

Reply to Formalities Letter of October 22, 2003

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

1. Applicant avers that it is a small entity and is entitled to pay fees commensurate with small entity status.

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2. In response to the Formalities Letter dated October 22, 2003, Applicant herewith includes the following omitted items:

Fee Transmittal for Check # 2199 for \$493.00 for:

Basic Filing Fee , \$385.00

Extra Claim Fee, \$43.00

Late Fee Surcharge, \$65.00

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3. Included herewith is the return copy of the Formalities Letter, dated October 22, 2003.

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- 4. Applicant elects to retain the original filing date for the application and relies on the submission made on July 15, 2003.
- 5. Applicant elects not to present Fig. 9. Fig. 9 was originally included, but does not add to the clarity of the description of the claimed invention. Fig. 9 was the last figure, but the drawings submitted do not need to be renumbered. The original submission was only six sheets. Accordingly, not even the sheet numbers on the drawings need to be corrected.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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